

**Maine Revised Statutes**  
**Title 10: COMMERCE AND TRADE**  
**Chapter 203-A: MANUFACTURER WARRANTIES ON MOTOR VEHICLES**

**§1164. AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE**

It is an affirmative defense to any claim under this chapter that: [ 1983, c. 145, (NEW) . ]

**1. Lack of impairment.** An alleged nonconformity does not substantially impair the use, safety or value of the motor vehicle; or

[ 1985, c. 220, §4 (AMD) . ]

**2. Abuse.** A nonconformity is the result of abuse, neglect or unauthorized modifications or alterations of a motor vehicle by anyone other than the manufacturer, its agents or authorized dealers since delivery to the consumer.

[ 1983, c. 145, (NEW) . ]

**SECTION HISTORY**

1983, c. 145, (NEW). 1985, c. 220, §4 (AMD).

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